

# Latania scale

## (*Hemiberlesia lataniae*)

- Common in CA; cosmopolitan, intercepted in shipments from HI & FL.
- Hosts: polyphagous; found on various ornamentals and palms.
  - Some common hosts are: Avocado; Sapote; *Acacia*; *Robenia*; Olive tree; Tulip tree; *Shinus molle*; Guava; Magnolia; carrot wood; Oleander (*Nerium oleander*); *Ficus*; Bird of paradise (*Strelitzia*); Ti (*Cordyline terminalis*); *Monstera*; Lady palm (*Raphis*); *Dracaena*; *Chamaedorea*; *Chrysalidocarpus*; Staghorn fern; *Ficus*; *Citrus*; *Phoenix roebelenii*; Kentia; Areca palm; King palm; Sago palm; *Heliconia*; *Protea*; *Pittosporum*; *Philodendron*.
- Field ID: Adult female 1-2 mm in diameter; scale cover **circular**, tan to white, with **yellow central exuviae**; body yellow. Females usually parthenogenetic in CA.



Adult females with cover



Female body (cover removed)